Bounded Backstepping Control Designs for Time-Varying Systems

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Ex: $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + \delta(t)$ with A Hurwitz. Many nonlinear cases.

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where $\omega(x) = -\sin(\frac{\pi x}{2}) \mathbf{1}_{[-2,2]}(x)$, T = .055, $q = 1/\tau$, $\tau = .001$.

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Problem: Given a function \mathcal{F} that satisfies Assumption 1, find the largest \mathcal{T} such that: There exist a function ω and constants q > 0 and $\tau > 0$ such that Assumption 2 is satisfied.

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Nonlinear control design via Lyapunov functions and positivity-based techniques

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Abstract

We will present fundamental results pertaining to ordinary differential equations, discrete-time systems and nonlinear control theory. In particular, we will review the notion of Lyapunov function, the LaSalle Invariance Principle, the Jurdjevic-Quinn's theorem and the techniques called backstepping and forwarding. We will perform construction of strict Lyapunov functions. We will study the notion of positive systems. We will study several applied problems (chemostats, PVTOL, cart-pendulum system).

The module is partially based on the research monograph: M. Malisoff, F. Mazenc, Constructions of Strict Lyapunov Functions, Spinger-Verlag, serie : Communications and Control Engineering, 2009

Outline :

- Introduction to dynamical systems: Ordinary Differential Equations, discrete-time systems, time-varying systems, basic notions (existence and uniqueness of solutions, finite escape time phenomenon). Notions of stability (local, global, basin of attraction), notion of input-to-state stability.
- 2) Fundamental results. Linear systems: stability analysis, linearization. Hartman-Grobman Theorem, Two dimentional systems : Poincaré–Bendixson theorem. Dulac's criterion, properties of ω-limit sets.
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- **5) Positive systems:** Cooperative nonlinear systems, linear positive systems, linear Lyapunov function. Notion of interval observer.



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